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## 1832 AM Tactical Asset Allocation LP

## Annual Management Report of Fund Performance

For the year ended December 31, 2022

This annual management report of fund performance contains financial highlights but does not contain the complete annual financial statements of the investment fund. You can get a copy of the annual financial statements at your request, and at no cost, by calling toll-free 1-800-268-9269, by writing to us at 1832 Asset Management L.P., 40 Temperance Street, 16th Floor, Toronto, ON, M5H 0B4 or by visiting our website at www.scotiafunds.com or SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

Securityholders may also contact us using one of these methods to request a copy of the investment fund's interim financial statements, proxy voting policies and procedures, proxy voting disclosure record or quarterly portfolio disclosure.

1832 Asset Management L.P. is the manager (the "Manager") of the fund. In this document, "we", "us", "our" and the "Manager" refer to 1832 Asset Management L.P. and the "Fund" refers to 1832 AM Tactical Asset Allocation LP.

The term "net asset value" or "net asset value per unit" in this document refers to the net asset value determined in accordance with Part 14 of National Instrument 81-106 — Investment Fund Continuous Disclosure ("National Instrument 81-106"); while the term "net assets" or "net assets per unit" refers to total equity or net assets attributable to unitholders of the Fund as determined in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS").

#### **Caution Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

Certain portions of this report, including, but not limited to, "Recent Developments", may contain forward-looking statements about the Fund and the underlying funds, as applicable, including statements with respect to strategies, risks, expected performance events and conditions. Forward-looking statements include statements that are predictive in nature, that depend upon or refer to future events or conditions, or that include words such as "expects", "anticipates", "intends", "plans", "believes", "estimates", "projects" and similar forward-looking expressions or negative versions thereof.

In addition, any statement that may be made concerning future performance, strategies or prospects and possible future action by the Fund is also a forward-looking statement. Forward-looking statements are based on current expectations and projections about future general economic, political and relevant market factors, such as interest rates, foreign exchange rates, equity and capital markets, and the general business environment, in each case assuming no changes to applicable tax or other laws or government regulation. Expectations and projections about future events are inherently subject to, among other things, risks and uncertainties, some of which may be unforeseeable. Accordingly, current assumptions concerning future economic and other factors may prove to be incorrect at a future date.

Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and actual results or events could differ materially from those expressed or implied in any forward-looking statements made by the Fund. Any number of important factors could contribute to these digressions, including, but not limited to, general economic, political and market factors in North America and internationally, such as interest and foreign exchange rates, global equity and capital markets, business competition, technological change, changes in government relations, unexpected judicial or regulatory proceedings and catastrophic events. We stress that the above mentioned list of important factors is not exhaustive. Some of these risks, uncertainties and other factors are described in the Fund's simplified prospectus, under the heading "Specific risks of mutual funds".

We encourage you to consider these and other factors carefully before making any investment decisions. Forward-looking statements should not be unduly relied upon. Further, you should be aware of the fact that the Fund has no specific intention of updating any forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, prior to the release of the next management report of fund performance, and that the forward-looking statements speak only to the date of this management report of fund performance.

## **Investment Objective and Strategies**

The Fund's investment objective is to provide total return over the long term by having exposure to and/or investing directly in fixed income and equity securities. The Fund will invest primarily in a mix of fixed income and/or equity exchange-traded funds ("ETFs") listed primarily in North America. The Fund may also invest directly in mutual funds, individual fixed income or equity securities, and cash or cash equivalents.

The Fund's asset mix will be flexible, ranging from 0%-100% in fixed income securities and 0-100% in equity securities. The portfolio advisor employs a flexible and opportunistic investment approach and manages the asset allocation between equity and fixed income securities based on its analysis of market conditions.

The Fund can invest up to 100% of its assets in foreign securities.

#### Risk

The risks associated with investing in the Fund are as described in the simplified prospectus. There were no material changes to the Fund over its last completed financial year that affected the overall level of risk of the Fund.

## **Results of Operations**

For the year ended December 31, 2022 (the "period"), the Series I units of the Fund generated a total return of -12.7%. Fund

returns are reported net of all management fees and expenses, unlike the returns of the Fund's benchmark, which is based on the performance of an index that does not pay fees or incur expenses.

The Fund's broad-based benchmarks, the FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index and the S&P 500 Index (C\$), returned -11.7% and returned -12.4%, respectively, during the same period. In accordance with National Instrument 81-106, we have included a comparison to broad-based indices to help you understand the Fund's performance relative to the general performance of the market, but caution that the Fund's mandate may be significantly different from the indices shown.

The Fund's blended benchmark, 50% FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index and 50% S&P 500 Index (C\$), returned -11.8% during the same period. We have included this comparison, which more closely reflects the market sectors and/or asset classes in which the Fund invests, to provide a more useful comparative to the performance of the Fund.

The Fund tracked its blended benchmark during the period primarily due to an overweight exposure to U.S. equities.

The Canadian bond market, as represented by the FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index, was down double digits losing 11.7% for the 12-month period ending December 31, 2022, as central banks around the world grappled with growing inflation concerns, pandemic-related supply chain issues and a geopolitical crisis in Europe. The 10-year Government of Canada yield moved significantly higher during the period, reaching 3.6% in June and October before finishing the year at 3.3%. With inflation indicators rising quickly early in 2022, the Bank of Canada embarked on its most aggressive tightening schedule in years, raising its policy interest rate seven times this year by a combined 400 basis points as it attempted to fight back against inflation.

Investment grade and high yield credit spreads, as measured by ICE BofA Canadian corporate indices OAS (Option-Adjusted Spread), rose higher during the period, widening in February as Russia launched an invasion of Ukraine. A brief rally in risk markets in March and summer saw spreads compress, before widening further in the fall. Spreads once again rallied towards the end of the year reflecting some optimism about the health of bond issuers and the economy.

The U.S. equity market ended the 12-month period in negative territory as the S&P 500 Index (C\$) returned -12.4%. 2022 was a tumultuous year for capital markets. The war in Ukraine and central banks' combating inflation were major factors for the decline in both U.S. equity and bond markets. In the U.S., equity and bond markets, as measured by the S&P 500 Index (C\$) and Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index, respectively, both posted negative returns in the same year, which is very uncommon.

The inflation rate began the year at 7.5% in January and peaked in June to 9.1%. We witnessed the inflation rate rapidly rising from 5.1% in January and peaking to 8.1% in June. This coincided with oil prices topping \$123 per barrel in June. The last time oil surpassed \$120 per barrel was in 2008.

The U.S. Federal Reserve (Fed) began increasing the Federal Funds Rate in March and was put in 'catch-up' mode to counter point the quick rise in inflation. Since March, the Fed began an aggressive campaign of hiking interest rates by increasing the Federal Funds Rate seven times over the course of the year, going from 0.08% to 4.33%. By the third quarter, inflation began to dip close to 7%.

Fed officials have indicated that they now see some evidence of progress in their drive to defeat the worst inflation bout in four decades and to bring inflation back down to their two per cent annual target. Though, they would like to see further moderate inflation readings before they would be comfortable suspending their rate hikes.

Six of the 11 GICS (Global Industry Classification Standard) sectors posted negative returns over the 12-month period The best performing sectors were Energy (+77.0%), Utilities (+8.6%), and Consumer Staples (+6.3%). The worst performing sectors were Communication Services (-35.7%), Consumer Discretionary (-32.6%), and Information Technology (-23.2%).

Over the period, the U.S. dollar strengthened against most major currencies including the Euro currency, British pound, Japanese yen and the Canadian dollar.

The Fund's U.S. equity allocation to Horizons S&P 500 ETF and Vanguard S&P 500 ETF tracked the overall performance compared to its blended benchmark over the period.

The Fund's net asset value decreased to \$50.4 million at December 31, 2022, from \$75.4 million at December 31, 2021. This change was composed of net redemptions of \$14.7 million and investment performance of negative \$10.3 million. The investment performance of the Fund includes income and expenses which vary year over year. The Fund's income and expenses changed compared to the previous year mainly as a result of fluctuations in average net assets, portfolio activity and changes in the Fund's income earning investments.

#### **Recent Developments**

#### Risk Rating change

Effective January 20, 2022, the risk rating of the Fund has been changed from Medium to Low to Medium. This change is in accordance with the Risk Classification Methodology mandated by the Canadian Securities Administrators. There are no changes to the investment objective or strategies of the Fund associated with the new risk rating.

### **Related Party Transactions**

The Manager is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Bank of Nova Scotia ("Scotiabank"). Scotiabank also owns, directly or indirectly, 100% of Scotia Securities Inc., a mutual fund dealer, and Scotia Capital Inc. (which includes ScotiaMcLeod and Scotia iTRADE), an investment dealer.

The Manager, on behalf of the Fund, may enter into transactions or arrangements with other members of Scotiabank or certain

other companies that are related or connected to the Manager (each a "related party"). All transactions between the Fund and the related parties are in the normal course of business and are carried out at arm's length terms.

The purpose of this section is to provide a brief description of any transaction involving the Fund and a related party.

#### Fixed Administration Fees and Fund Costs

The Manager pays the operating expenses of the Fund, other than Fund Costs, in exchange for the payment by the Fund of a fixed rate administration fee (the "Fixed Administration Fee") to the Manager with respect to each series of the Fund. The expenses charged to the Fund in respect of the Fixed Administration Fee are disclosed in the Fund's financial statements. The Fixed Administration Fee is equal to a specified percentage of the net asset value of a series, calculated and paid in the same manner as the management fees for the Fund. Further details about the Fixed Administration Fee can be found in the Fund's most recent simplified prospectus.

In addition, each series of the Fund is responsible for its proportionate share of certain operating expenses ("Fund Costs"). Further details about Fund Costs can be found in the Fund's most recent simplified prospectus.

The Manager, at its sole discretion, may waive or absorb a portion of a series' expenses. These waivers or absorptions may be terminated at any time without notice.

## Related Brokerage Commissions

From time to time, the Fund may enter into portfolio securities transactions with Scotia Capital Inc. or other related dealers in whom Scotiabank has a significant interest (a "Related Broker"). These Related Brokers may earn commission or spreads on such transactions, which are made on terms and conditions that are comparable to transactions made with non-related brokers.

During the period, the Fund paid \$224 in commissions to Related Brokers.

#### Other Fees

The Manager, or its affiliates, may earn fees and spreads in connection with various services provided to, or transactions with, the Fund, such as banking, custody, brokerage, foreign exchange or derivatives transactions. The Manager, or its affiliates, may earn a foreign exchange spread when unitholders switch between series of funds denominated in different currencies.

#### Independent Review Committee

The Manager has established an independent review committee (the "IRC") in accordance with National Instrument 81-107 — Independent Review Committee for Investment Funds ("NI 81-107") with a mandate to review and provide recommendations or approval, as required, on conflict of interest matters referred to it by the Manager on behalf of the Fund. The IRC is responsible for overseeing the Manager's decisions in situations

where the Manager is faced with any present or perceived conflicts of interest, all in accordance with NI 81-107.

The IRC may also approve certain mergers between the Fund and other funds, and any change of the auditor of the Fund. Subject to any corporate and securities law requirements, no securityholder approval will be obtained in such circumstances, but you will be sent a written notice at least 60 days before the effective date of any such transaction or change of auditor. In certain circumstances, securityholder approval may be required to approve certain mergers.

The IRC has five members, Stephen J. Griggs (Chair), Steven Donald, Simon Hitzig, Heather A. T. Hunter and Jennifer L. Witterick, each of whom is independent of the Manager.

The IRC prepares and files a report to the securityholders each fiscal year that describes the IRC and its activities for securityholders as well as contains a complete list of the standing instructions. These standing instructions enable the Manager to act in a particular conflict of interest matter on a continuing basis provided the Manager complies with its policies and procedures established to address that conflict of interest matter and reports periodically to the IRC on the matter. This report to the securityholders is available on the Manager's website or, at no cost, by contacting the Manager.

The compensation and other reasonable expenses of the IRC will be paid out of the assets of the Fund as well as out of the assets of the other investment funds for which the IRC may act as the independent review committee. Each member of the IRC receives an annual retainer of \$62,000 (\$77,000 for the Chair), plus expenses for each meeting. The fees and expenses, plus associated legal costs, are allocated among all of the funds managed by the Manager for which the IRC acts as the independent review committee in a manner that is considered by the Manager to be fair and reasonable. The main component of compensation is an annual retainer fee. Prior to November 1, 2021, each IRC member also received a fee for each committee meeting attended. Expenses of the IRC may include premiums for insurance coverage, travel expenses and reasonable out-of-pocket expenses.

The Manager, in respect of the Fund, received the following standing instructions from the IRC with respect to related party transactions:

- Paying brokerage commissions and spreads to a related party for effecting security transactions on an agency and principal basis on behalf of the Fund;
- Purchases or sales of securities of an issuer from or to another investment fund managed by the Manager;
- Investments in the securities of issuers for which a related underwriter acted as an underwriter during the distribution of such securities and the 60-day period following the completion of such distribution;
- Executing foreign exchange transactions with a related party on behalf of the Fund:
- Purchases of securities of a related party;

- Entering into over-the-counter derivatives on behalf of the Fund with a related party;
- Outsourcing products and services to related parties which can be charged to the Fund;
- Acquisition of prohibited securities as defined by securities regulations;
- Trading in mortgages with a related party;
- Entering into a designated broker agreement with a related party; and
- Entering into a prime broker agreement with a related party.

The Manager is required to advise the IRC of any breach of a condition of the standing instructions. The standing instructions

require, among other things, that the investment decision in respect to a related party transaction: (a) is made by the Manager free from any influence by an entity related to the Manager and without taking into account any consideration to any associate or affiliate of the Manager; (b) represents the business judgment of the Manager uninfluenced by considerations other than the best interests of the Fund; and (c) is made in compliance with the Manager's written policies and procedures. Transactions made by the Manager under the standing instructions are subsequently reviewed by the IRC to monitor compliance.

The Manager, in respect of the Fund, relied on IRC standing instructions regarding related party transactions during the period.

## **Financial Highlights**

The following tables show selected key financial information about each series of the Fund and are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the periods indicated. The information on the following tables is based on prescribed regulations and as a result, is not expected to add across due to the increase (decrease) in net assets from operations being based on average units outstanding during the period and all other numbers being based on actual units outstanding at the relevant point in time. Footnotes for the tables are found at the end of the Financial Highlights section.

#### The Fund's Net Assets per Unit (\$)<sup>(1)</sup>

		Increase (decrease) from operations:										
For the	Net Assets, beginning	Total	Total	Realized gains (losses) for the	Unrealized gains (losses) for the	Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>(2)</sup>	From net investment income (excluding dividends)	From dividends	From capital	Return of	Total distributions <sup>(3)</sup>	Net Assets, end of period <sup>(1)</sup>
period ended	of period	revenue	expenses	period	period	operations.	uividerius)	uiviuerius	gains	capital	distributions	or bellog.
Series I												
Dec. 31, 2022	21.79	0.24	(0.04)	2.28	(5.86)	(3.38)	_	_	-	_	_	19.02
Dec. 31, 2021	17.28	0.20	(0.04)	1.13	3.18	4.47	_	_	_	_	_	21.79
Dec. 31, 2020	14.91	0.19	(0.04)	0.34	1.26	1.75	_	_	_	_	_	17.28
Dec. 31, 2019	12.21	0.16	(0.03)	1.29	1.33	2.75	_	_	_	_	_	14.91
Dec. 31, 2018	12.15	0.07	(0.02)	1.65	(1.26)	0.44	_	_	_	_	_	12.21

<sup>(1)</sup> This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements. The net assets per unit presented in the financial statements may differ from the net asset value per unit. An explanation of these differences can be found in note 2 of the Fund's financial statements. The net asset value per unit at the end of the period is disclosed in Ratios and Supplemental Data.

#### **Ratios and Supplemental Data**

			Management	MER before			
	Total net asset	Number of units		waivers or	Trading expense	Portfolio turnover	Net asset value
As at	value (000's) (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>	outstanding <sup>(1)</sup>	("MER") (%) <sup>(2)</sup>	absorptions (%) <sup>(2)</sup>	ratio ("TER") (%) <sup>(3)</sup>	rate (%) <sup>(4)</sup>	per unit (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>
Series I							
Dec. 31, 2022	50,361	2,648,021	0.09	0.09	0.07	7.87	19.02
Dec. 31, 2021	75,381	3,459,581	0.09	0.09	0.07	7.32	21.79
Dec. 31, 2020	69,935	4,048,154	0.10	0.10	0.07	0.00	17.28
Dec. 31, 2019	73,287	4,915,965	0.11	0.11	0.12	20.41	14.91
Dec. 31, 2018	79,059	6,474,578	0.15	0.15	0.39	10.87	12.21

<sup>(1)</sup> This information is provided as at the period end of the years shown.

<sup>(2)</sup> Net assets per unit and distributions per unit are based on the actual number of units outstanding for the relevant series at the relevant time. The increase (decrease) in net assets from operations per unit is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the period.

<sup>(3)</sup> Distributions were paid in cash or reinvested in additional units of the Fund.

<sup>(2)</sup> The management expense ratio is based on the total expenses (including sales tax, and excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs) of each series of the Fund and a proportional share of underlying funds' expenses (mutual funds, ETFs and closed-end funds), where applicable, for the stated period and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the period.

<sup>(3)</sup> The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs, short borrowing costs and interest on leverage of the Fund and the underlying funds, where applicable, expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value of the Fund during the period.

<sup>(4)</sup> The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund's portfolio advisor manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the period. The higher a fund's portfolio turnover rate in a period, the greater the trading costs payable by the fund in the period, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of a fund.

## **Management Fees**

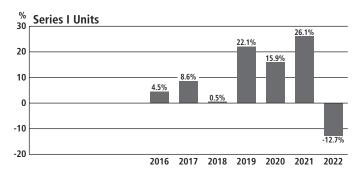
The Manager is not entitled to a management fee payable by the Fund in respect of Series I units. The management fee is negotiable and paid by unitholders directly to the Manager.

#### **Past Performance**

The following shows the past performance for each series and will not necessarily indicate how the Fund will perform in the future. The information shown assumes that all distributions made by each series of the Fund in the periods shown were reinvested in additional units of the relevant series. In addition, the information does not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or other optional charges that would have reduced returns or performance.

#### **Year-By-Year Returns**

The following charts show the performance for each series of the Fund and illustrate how performance has varied from year to year. The charts show, in percentage terms, how much an investment held on the first day of each calendar year would have increased or decreased by the last day of each calendar year for that series.



#### **Annual Compound Returns**

The annual compound returns table below compares each series of the Fund's performance to one or more benchmarks. A benchmark is usually an index or a composite of more than one index. Fund returns are reported net of all management fees and expenses for all series, unlike the return of benchmarks which are based on the performance of an index that does not pay fees or incur expenses.

			Three Years	Five Years		Since Inception
Series I	%	-12.7	8.5	9.4	_	8.7
Blended Benchmark* FTSE Canada Universe	%	-11.8	3.6	5.8	-	6.4
Bond Index	%	-11.7	-2.2	0.3	-	0.8
S&P 500 Index (C\$)	%	-12.4	9.2	11.1	-	11.9

The Blended Benchmark is composed of 50% of FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index and 50% of S&P 500 Index (C\$).

## **Index Descriptions**

FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index — This index is composed of investment grade, fixed coupon, government and corporate bonds, issued in Canada and denominated in Canadian dollars, with a remaining term to maturity of at least one year. The index is weighted by market capitalization.

S&P 500 Index (C\$) – This index is a capitalization-weighted index designed to measure the performance of the broad U.S. economy through changes in the aggregate market value of 500 stocks representing all major industries.

A discussion of the performance of the Fund as compared to its benchmark(s) is found in the Results of Operations section of this report.

## **Summary of Investment Portfolio**

The Summary of Investment Portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions. A quarterly portfolio update is available to the investor at no cost by calling 1-800-268-9269, or by visiting www.scotiafunds.com, 60 days after quarter end, except for December 31, which is the calendar year end, when they are available after 90 days.

By Asset Type	% of net asset value <sup>(1)</sup>
Index Based ETFs	99.5
Cash and Cash Equivalents	0.5
Other Net Assets (Liabilities)	0.0

#### **Top Holdings**

Issuer*	% of net asset value <sup>(1)</sup>
Vanguard S&P 500 ETF	76.0
Horizons S&P 500 Index Exchange Traded Fund	23.5
Cash and Cash Equivalents	0.5

<sup>(1)</sup> Based on the net asset value, therefore, weightings presented in the Schedule of Investments may differ from the ones disclosed above.

<sup>\*</sup> Securities legislation requires the top 25 holdings of the Fund to be presented; however, the Fund currently has less than 25 holdings.

